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Attached in [redacted] is a tabulation listing observations made at posts of Czech army units between August and October 1957. Annex 2, a map [redacted]

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2. Comment. For individual comments, see column "Remarks" in Annex 1. Summarizing it can be said that

- a. there were no major changes in the location of Czech army units;
- b. new posts were reported (which, however, may have also been old garrisons in the [redacted] Polish, [redacted] border area reported for the first time);
- c. division areas in the Silesian-Moravian border area could not yet be determined; and
- d. the troops returned to their permanent posts from summer camps and maneuvers.

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See report on changes of disposition during the period from April to July 1957 [redacted] For tabulation, see Annex 1.

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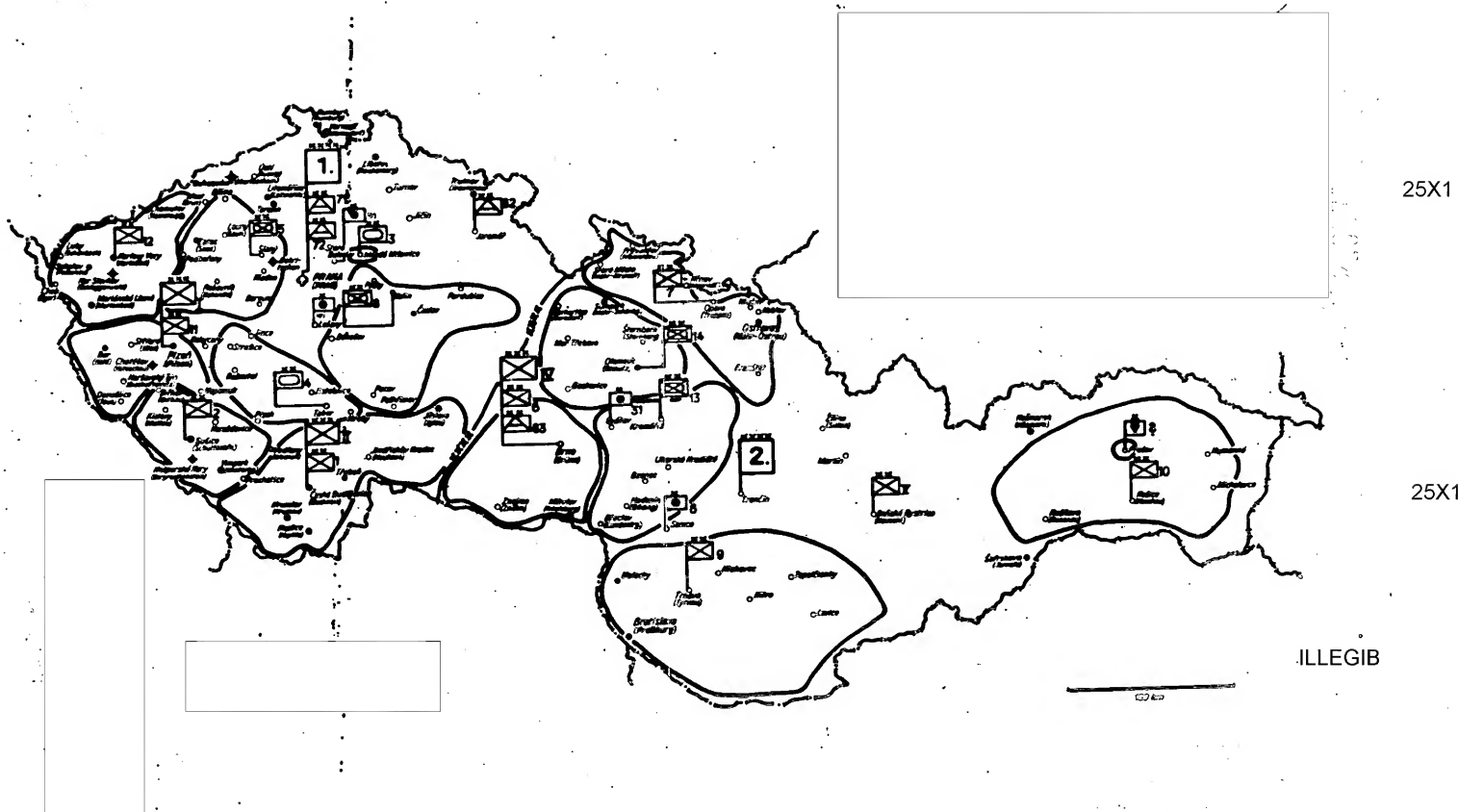
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Detailed Information on Location of Czech Army Units

| Location | Time/Unit | Remarks | |
|---|--|---|--------------|
| Sasa (Zatec) N 51/F 10 | Sep 57, 21st Tk Regt, appr 1,100 EM, many Slovaks, T-34s, 2 Bns, 1 Tng Bn; | 21st Tk Regt/ 5th Mecz Div confirmed. | |
| | SP gun unit: 30 SU-100s | Undetermined if elm of tk (SP) regt or independent. | 25X1 |
| Pressburg (Bratislava) P 49/X 99 | Sep 57, barracks in Tehelne Pole town section; unit of regimental strength with tanks | Vague indication of w/i elms 9th Rifle Div carried in Pressburg. Presum new installation, completed in 1953. | 25X1 |
| Warnsdorf (Varnsdorf) O 51/F 87 | Sep 57, occupied by several hundred tank troopers | Troops observed since Jul 57, possibly PS Bn/u/1PS Brig Tetschen. | 25X1 |
| Rumburg (Rumburk) O 51/F 78 | Sep 57, only PS soldiers in Rumburg | Inf reported since July 57. Possibly PS Bn/u/1 PS Brig Tetschen. | 25X1 |
| Reichenberg (Liberec) O 51/... | Sep 57, arty in Ziska Kaserne; former Inf Kaserne occupied by inf unit | Occupation by RL known. Inf unit unidentified. | 25X1 25X1 |
| Dobritschan (Dobruška) N 51/F 10 | Sep 57, unit in bn strength with more than 60 trucks, 2 tank trucks, 2 radio trucks in castle | U/1 unit/ 5th Mecz Div. | 25X1 |
| Leitmeritz (Litoměřice) N 51/F 53 | Sep 57, former Art Kaserne; not trans unit; Inf Kaserne; officer school; tng area; imprints of tracks | Jul 57 reported occupied by 1st Engr Brig and Engr Officer School (Mil Academy for Engrs). | 25X1 |

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| Location | Time/Unit | Remarks | |
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| Theresienstadt (Terezin) N 51/P 53 | Sep 57, Pionier Kaserne: occupied to capacity by engr units; 10x2 and 3-axle amph trucks, 15 steel and 20 wooden pontoons observed Kavallerie Kaserne and 42er Kaserne : army troops. | 1st Engr Regt (1st MD) carried in Theresienstadt. Units in Kav and 42er Kasernes w/i but confirmed. | 25X1 |
| Marianbad (Marianske Lazne) N 50/P 56 | Sep 57, soldier served with hv arty Unit | So far, only occu- pation with mtz inf known (2d Rifle Regt/ 12th Rifle Div). Possibly SP gun unit. | 25X1 |
| Karlsbad (Karlov Vary) N 51/P 69 | Sep 57, Dvory I Kaserne: inf in bn strength; Dvory II Kaserne: arty and AAA units; Alt Rohlau: small inf unit | a bn/74th Rifle Regt determined. U/i unit, possibly arty bn/74th Rifle Regt or AAA bn/12th Rifle Div. U/i unit (74th Rifle Regt?), prev occupied by PS unit. | 25X1 25X1 |
| Pilsen (Plzen) N 50/L 04 | Sep 57, Kaserne Na Slovanech: recently enlarged, occupied by inf and tk units. Art Kaserne near Bory penitentiary: arty units. Post hospital in "Kleine Kaserne" (south section of town) enlarged. Former 18er Kaserne vacant | Hq and several units/ 11th Rifle Div, incl inf (11th Rifle Regt), arty (2d and 12th Arty Regt) and tank (Tn SP Regt) stationed in Pilsen. No major changes of occupation. | 25X1 |
| Kaiserwald (Cisarsky Les) N 51/P 57 | Sep 57, no tng activities after 1956 | Accord to several reports, tng gr dissolved. | 25X1 |

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| Schlaggenwald (Horní Slavkov) N 51/P 68 | Sep 57, army units, appr 2,000 men with guns and tanks | Area 12th Rifle Div, newly construct- ed barracks occupied by guard units for Hran shafts until 1955. Occupation by smaller army unit once reported. U/i unit. | 25X1 |
| Haid (Bor) N 50/P 63 | Sep 57, castle: in addition to PS unit, army Hq | Area 11th Rifle Div. Hq and units 18th Rifle Regt confirmed. | 25X1 |
| Choteschau (Chotesov) near Pilsen N 50/P 93 | Sep 57, cloister: 200-250 men mtz army troops; 6 field guns up to 100 mm cal, with muzzle brake observed | Area 11th Rifle Div. U/i unit, possibly arty bn/ rifle regt (?). | 25X1 |
| Iglau (Jihlava) O 50/O 59 | Apr-Sep 57, Velka Kaserne: (center) Hq 48th Rifle Regt, appr 300 men; Stefanik Kaserne: Bn mtz/48th Rifle Regt; Art Kaserne: hv unit/48th Rifle Regt with morts; Inf Kaserne: inf unit of appr 400 men | Hq 48th Rifle Regt/1st Rifle Div and all elms of regt confirmed in Iglau. (Jul 56). No changes of location. | 25X1 |
| Mährisch-Osttau (M. Ostrava) P 50/O 59 | Aug 57, barracks in southeast portion of town: arty with 16-18 guns on 4- wheel gun carriages, 6-meter barrels | Occupation with hv AAA unit repeatedly reported. | 25X1 |
| Falkenau (Sokolov) N 51/P 58 | Sep 57, low barracks on road to Vitkov. Army unit with appr 30 guns of hv cal observed | 3d Arty Regt and 12th AT Bn/12th Inf Div carried in Falkenau. Low barracks occupied by AT unit in Apr 57. | 25X1 |

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| Location | Time/Unit | Remarks | |
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| Nikolsburg (Mikulov) P 49/S 56 | Oct 57, Ziska Kaserne: PS unit reinforced since Aug 57 | Prior to 1954 occupied by army troops (6th Rifle Div). | 25X1 |
| Kaplitz (Kaplice) O 49/Q 93 | Sep 57, former Inf Kaserne: Mtz Inf Bn with 11 inf guns, 11 and hv morts | So far, only PS carried there. Accord to other reports, army units, possibly elms 1st Rifle Div Budweis. | 25X1 |
| Budweis (C. Budejovice) O 49/Q 96 | Sep 57, Vierhoefener Kaserne: arty regt with bq, 150-mm guns | 5th Hv Field Arty Regt, confirmed there in Oct 56; accord to other info of Aug 57, appr 300 men without guns at training. | |
| | Marienplatz Kaserne: mtz inf regt | Possibly 1st Inf Regt, which was reported in Budweis in Oct 56. | 25X1 |
| Boehmisch-Krumau (Ceske Krumlov) N 49/Q 83 | Oct 57, cantonment N of city: army trps with 15-20 T-34s | Occupation undeter- mined. Tks repeatedly confirmed. Possibly arty bn, AT bn or elms rifle regt of 1st Rifle Div. In Sep 57, unit of regt strength with hv weapons which, however, may have be- longed to other post, seen passing through post. | 25X1 |
| Komotau (Chomutov) N 53/F 02 | Aug 57, Castle and Gymnasium: AAA and sig units, totaling 1,000 men; Stefanik Kaserne; inf unit of 500-600 men; Black Barracks Kaserne: arty, at least 20x150- mm guns | So far, only arty occupation known, possibly 24th Arty Regt/12th Rifle Div (?). Info furnishes indicat- ions of additional units (11 AA guns observ). | 25X1 |

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| Schuettenhofen (Susice) N 50/Q 28 | Sep 57, regt hq, 1 AAA bn and soldiers with AAA insignia observed | Hq and several units/2d Rifle Div confirmed there. AAA reported for first time. Possibly belonging to II Arty Corps Butweis or sub- ordinate to 2d Rifle Div. | 25X1 |
| Bergreichenstein (Kasperske Hory) N 50/Q 27 | Sep 57, 1 AAA bn, belongs to AAA Regt Schuettenhofen | Reported first time. So far, only PS unit reported there. | 25X1 25X1 |
| Winterberg (Vimperk) N 50/Q 46 | Sep 57, 1 AAA bn, belongs to AAA Regt Schuettenhofen | Reported first time. Bn possibly occupied quarters vacated by transfer of 26th Rifle Regt to new installations. | 25X1 |
| Olmuetz (Olomouc) P 50/M 85 | Oct 57, almost all barracks are being occupied to capacity, many Slovak EM | Trps last reported at tng gr and maneuvers in Sep 57. | 25X1 25X1 |
| Mahrtsch-Schoenberg (Sumpark) P 50/N 69 | Oct 57, 1 mecz regt with AT guns, self-propel- led gun mounts and armored scout cars in barracks north section of city | Confirmed in May 57; at least 1 mecz regt (36th/14th Mecz Div. | 25X1 |
| Trautenau (Trutnov) O 51/G 75 | Sep 57, 1 bn army trps in Jaeger Kaserne; May-Aug, summer camp at Riesen Gebirge | Army occupation confirmed. Vague indication of border guard bn. Independent mountain trps (?). | 25X1 |
| Kaesmark (Kozmarok) R 50/D 79 | Oct 57, hv arty pieces towed by full-track APCs, each mounting 30 EM, in barracks on road to Spisaka Bela | Kaesmark so far known as firing range for AT, AAA, tks. Reported arty, probably pract- icing unit. Guns allegedly cal above 200 mm (?). Additional indication of utili- zation by army. | 25X1 |

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| Bruex (Most) N 51/F 12 | Sep 57, Stefanik Kaserne: army trps. AT bn with 100-mm guns | So far, AAA unit carried in this installation. First indication of 100-mm AT gun bn. 100-mm AT guns definitely ob- served in Apr 57. | 25X1 25X1 |
| Tschaslau (Chaslav) O 50/M 47 | Sep 57, Ziska and Prokopa Kaserne occupied. Apr 57, Ziska Kaserne: appr 300 men mtz inf; Prokopa Kaserne: 30 T-34s. New barracks buildings in Prokopa installation | Installations be- lieved to be occupied by elms 21st Mecz Regt/8th Mecz Div. Occupation of barracks repeatedly confirmed. | 25X1 |
| Safrikovo (Tornaja) Q 49/D 51 | May 57, Inf Kaserne: army trps, partly with arty insignia. Barracks with 3x3- story buildings occupied to capacity. Guns up to 80 mm observed | AAA unit and bn 14th Rifle Regt/10th Rifle Div carried in Safri- kovo, the latter not confirmed for prolonged period. | 25X1 |
| Mariaschein (Bohosudov) Near Teplitz- Schoenau N 51/F 34 | Oct 57, former seminary for priests and former monastery school: army trps, appr 200 men with inf wp, guns and numerous trucks | Accord to several reports of 1952-1955, officer school station- ed in Mariaschein. No exercised outside of installation observed. Since Oct 56, indica- tions of occupation by trps. So far u/i. | 25X1 |

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